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STATUS INQUIRY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please advise the undersigned agent of the status of the above-referenced

application.

This application was filed on June 1, 2001. It is respectfully requested that the undersigned Applicant's attorney of record be advised as to when the next Office Action will issue.

Respectfully Submitted,

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